

Docket No. BM45353

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	International Application No.: PCT/EP00/00425
Thonnard	:	I.A. Filing Date: 19 January 2000
Serial No.: 09/889,756	:	Priority Dates: 22 and 29 January 1999
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For: BASB055 Polynucleotide and	:	
Polypeptide From <i>Neisseria</i>	:	
<i>Meningitidis</i> , Uses Thereof	:	

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in reply to the communication mailed 22 March 2002 from the Patent Office, entitled "Notification of Defective Response". A copy of the Notice is enclosed.

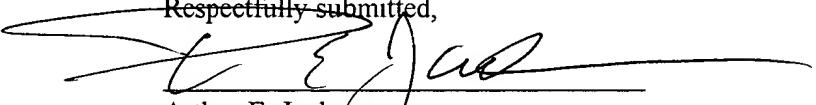
Submitted herewith is the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR §§ 1.821-1.825.

STATEMENT

Applicant hereby states that the enclosed CRF diskette submitted herewith is identical to the paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" contained in the copy of International Publication No. WO 00/43517 which was submitted on July 20, 2001 for filing with the US Patent Office and contains no new matter.

Applicants respectfully request that this sequence listing be entered into the application.

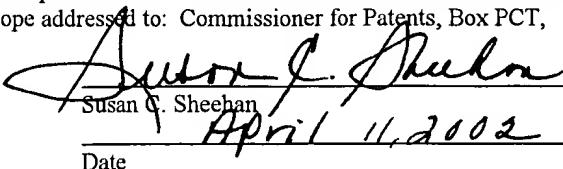
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NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fee
- Priority Document
- Biochemical Sequence Diskette
- Biochemical Sequence Listing
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Oath or Declaration
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below:

- The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 for the following reason(s):
 - See CRF Problem Report - CRF was unreadable
 - APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE:

- An initial or substitute paper copy or compact disc of the "Sequence Listing," as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.
- For questions regarding compliance to 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 requirements, please contact:
 - For Rules Interpretation, call (703) 308-4216
 - To Purchase PatentIn Software, call (703) 306-2600
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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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